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Should my experience—the history of an illness and a convalescence, for it resulted in a convalescence —be only my personal experience ? and merely just my "Human, All-too-human"? To-day I would fain believe the reverse, for I am becoming more and more confident that my books of travel were not penned for my sole benefit, as appeared for a time to be the case. May I, after six years of growing assurance, send them once more on a journey for an experiment?—May *I* commend them particularly to the ears and hearts of those ^ho are afflicted with some sort of a " past," and have enough intellect left to suffer even intellectually from their past ? But above all would I commend them to you whose burden is heaviest, you choice spirits, most encompassed with perils, most intellectual, most courageous, who must be the *conscience* of the modern soul and as such be versed in its *science-.** in whom is concentrated all of disease, poison or danger that can exist to-day: whose lot decrees that you must be more sick than any individual because you are not " mere individuals ": whose consolation it is to know and, ah 1 to walk the path to a new health, a health of to-morrow and the day after: you men of destiny, triumphant, conquerors of time, the healthiest and the strongest, you *good Europeans* |

' 7-To express finally in a single formula my op-

* It has been attempted to render the play on "Gewissen" and <*Wissen."--TR.